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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for filing in the subject patent
application:

Response to Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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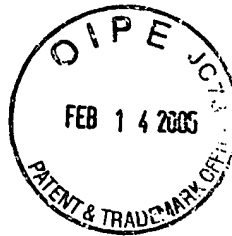
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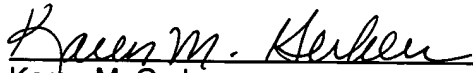
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This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action of January 21, 2005.

As set forth in the Office Action, restriction was required in the subject application to the invention corresponding to claims 1-9 directed to a telescope including a frictional adjustment mechanism, the invention corresponding to claims 10-15 directed to a telescope including a clamp assembly, or the invention corresponding to claims 16-20 directed to a telescope tube comprising wooden slats and ribs. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention corresponding to claims 10-15 for prosecution on the merits.

In light of the foregoing, the subject application is submitted to be in condition for examination on the merits and early, favorable action on the merits is courteously solicited.

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